

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with the above-captioned application. By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants have canceled claims 1-68, without prejudice or disclaimer, and have added claims 69-82. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of claims 1-68 at a later date. Support for new claims 69-82 can be found at least in Figs. 1A, 4A, and 4B, and in the corresponding written description of those figures, and in the specification at page 12, lines 17-21, for example.

Claims 69-82 are substantially the same as claims 1, 2, 4, 7-12, 14, and 17-20, respectively, of U.S. Application Publication No. 2002/0099404 A1, which published on July 25, 2002.

Applicants respectfully request the examination of claims 69-82.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment and not otherwise provided for, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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